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### FOREWORD

NATO Europe, including all USAF bases in Europe, converted from NATO F-40 (JP-4) fuel to NATO F-34 (JP-8) fuel during calendar year 1988. Previously, only the USAF bases in the United Kingdom have used F-34 (since 1979).

This report documents the properties and sources of F-34 delivered to US forces in Europe during calender year 1988. These data were obtained from the fuel test reports, which are submitted by the suppliers with each batch of fuel procured by the US Defense Fuels Supply Center (DFSC). The DFSC, in turn, delivers fuel to US Air Force Bases and other users.



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## SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION

The USAF is in the process of converting to NATO F-34 (JP-8) as its primary combat fuel. In 1979, USAF operations within the United Kingdom were converted from JP-4 (NATO F-40) to F-34. During 1988, USAF and NATO operations in Europe were also converted to F-34. USAF operations in the Pacific (Japan, Korea, and Okinawa) are scheduled to be converted to F-34 by 1991. The USAF conversion to F-34 within the continental US (CONUS) is being considered.

F-34 (JP-8) is commercial Jet A-1 (NATO F-35) with fuel system icing inhibitor, corrosion inhibitor/lubricity improver additive, and static dissipater additive. Unlike CONUS Jet A commercial jet fuel, European Jet A-1 (NATO F-35) is required to contain a static dissipater additive and may contain a corrosion inhibitor /lubricity improver additive. Although not used within the CONUS, Jet A-1 is the primary commercial jet fuel for Europe and many other parts of the free world. In NATO, much of the F-34 is being procured and shipped as F-35. At or near its destination, the additives required to convert F-35 to F-34 are injected into the fuel.

The primary commercial jet fuel within the CONUS is Jet A (no NATO designation). Jet A is very similar to F-35 but has a higher freeze point. The higher freeze point of Jet A allows the producers to include higher boiling fractions, resulting in a fuel that is slightly more dense and has a slightly higher distillation range than F-35.

Jet A, F-34 and F-35 are kerosene fuels having a minimum flash point of 38°C (100°F). The standar USAF jet fuel from the middle 1950s until 1988 was JP-4 (F-40). F-40 is a wide cut fuel, consisting of about 60 percent naphtha (gasoline) and 40 percent kerosene. The naphtha causes F-40 to be quite volatile, resulting in a flash point of about -23 to -12°C (-10° to +10°F). JP-5 (NATO F-44) is the Navy's primary jet fuel. With a minimum flash point of 60°C (140°F), it is the least volatile of military and commercial jet fuels.

F-34 was developed in the late 1960s to decrease the incidence of combat-initiated aircraft fires. During the Vietnam war, similar combat flight operations flown by the Navy, which used F-44, were compared to those by the Marines and Air Force, which used F-40.

Nartel, Charles R., <u>Properties of JP-8 Jet Fuel</u>, AFWAL-TR-88-2040, May 1988.

The Navy had lower loss rates as a result of fewer gunfireinitiated fires and explosions, as compared to the Air Force and Marines. Subsequent gunfire tests confirmed that fuel volatility significantly affects the chances of and severity of in-flight aircraft fires. Also, analyses of impact-survivable crashes showed that fuel volatility also affects the chances for post-crash fires and increased fatalities. These data indicate that a kerosene-based fuel will reduce combat aircraft losses and crash fatalities as compared to F-40.

The properties of F-34 were chosen to give: (a) low volatility, as measured by flash point, (b) low freezing point, needed for world-wide operations of USAF aircraft, (c) high availability in wartime and low cost in peacetime, and (d) compatibility with existing aircraft. Commercial Jet A-1 (F-35) fuel adequately met these requirements. In addition, selection of an existing standard jet fuel would simplify logistics in peacetime and increase availability in time of war. Thus, the bulk properties of F-34 were selected to be identical to those of Jet A-1.

The properties of F-34 procured from 1984 through early 1988 were previously reported. F-34 property data are needed by aircraft designers and operators to estimate aircraft and engine performance. This report documents the properties of F-34 and F-35 fuels procured for use by the USAF in Europe during 1988. Fuel sources included Bahrain, Germany, Greece, Sicily, Spain, and Venezuela.

#### SECTION II - DATA AND DATA ANALYSIS

#### 1. Data Source

The data for this report were obtained from suppliers' test reports, required for each batch of fuel procured by the Defense Fuels Supply Center (DFSC). (The DFSC procures all F-34 fuel for the US Department of Defense.)

Table 1 lists the sources of each fuel batch, the date, and most of the specification properties reported. Table 2 lists the quantities shipped and their destination.

### 2. Data Analysis

Table I, which lists the data reported for each fuel batch, also lists a simple statistical average of each property for each fuel source. Also, the hydrogen content (percent by weight) was calculated using ASTM D3343, as this was not listed in all test reports. In addition to the reported heat of combustion, which included calorimetric measurements and conversions based on aniline-gravity correlations, the heat of combustion was calculated using ASTM D 3338. This provides a single standard of reference for the heat of combustion.

Specification MIL-T-83133 for F-34 requires the mercaptan sulfur to be measured or requires the use of the Doctor test (a pass/fail test.) Thus, where "NEG" is reported in Table 1, the fuel successfully passed the Doctor test. A "Negative" Doctor test implies that the mercaptan sulfur content is below 0.001 weight percent.

The additives injected into the fuel are shown in Table 1, as reported on the fuel test report form for each batch. These data were not always complete, as the amount of an antioxidant or corrosion inhibitor was reported, but the type or trade name of the additive was not given.

For NATO F-34, only four corrosion inhibitor additives are approved by the NATO guide specification. As seen in Table 1, only Ethyl Corporation's Hitec 580 and Nalco Chemical Company's

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TABLE 1. PROPERTIES OF F-34 FUELS FOR 1988

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82 GE,	KARLSRUHE	8804	0.007	15.4	6.7			152		150	196	226	244	198	44	46.9		3.9
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107 GE.	EARL SRUHE	8505	0.003	16.5	0.6	0.04	0.0004	154	174	184	201	521	245	505	48	45.8	-51.0	4.2
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	3.⊽	24	14.01	18628	16617	i.õ	<b>⊽</b> 6	0.13	22.4		20.2			7	0.4	ũ	ī	45.0
3	3.9	25	14.09	18637	18634	1.0	97	0.15	22.4		20.2			6	0.1	0	Ð	45.0
0.5 0.	4.0 4.2	24.0 23.0	13.89 13.90	18625 18612	18512 18518	0.5 0.5	97 98	0.14 0.13	21.7 21.8		20.2 17.8			6 7	0.2	0	0	45.0 44.0
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:.3	÷.0	24.0	13.97	18626	18620	0.8	98	0.14	22.1		19.6			6.5	0.25	0.0	0.5	44.8
	3.4		13.67		18557	1.0	65	0.15	15.0	EERO TP	20.0	#1 550		5	0.5	0	0	33.0
	3.2 3.2		14.11	18515	18560 18565	1,6 1,0	69	Q.15 Q.15	18.0 16.0	KERO TP	20.0 20.0	и: 550 и: 550		6	9.9 3.0	0	0	34.0 34.0
	3.3		14.14		18555	1.0	91	0.15	18.0	EERO TP		H1 580		ð	0.8	ō	õ	35.0
	3.5				18564	1.0	85	0.14	18.0	KERO TP		H: 580		5	0.2	0	0	34.0
.0 0	3.4 3.5		13.92 13.71		18563 18565	1.0	<b>50</b> 66	0.15 0.15	17.0 18.0	KERO IP		M: 580 M: 580		<u>\$</u>	0.2 6.5	0	0 9	33.0 36.0
	3.2	25.0	3.60	15515	18558	1.0	<b>\$</b> 0	0.15	18.0	91 CE33		#1 580		6	0.0	ō	õ	34.0
Q.	9.8	25.0		18572	16562	1.0	95	0.15	15.0	KERO IP		#: 580		ê	6.7	Q	0	35.0
	3.2 3.2	25.0 25.0		18615 18572	18565 18564	1.0 1.0	92 97	0.15 0.15	18.0 18.0	KERO TP		#1 550 #1 550		6 6	0.2 6.7	0	0 5	34.0 33.0
	3.2	25.0		16572	18556	1.0	\$\$	0.15	20.0	KEED TP		#: 550		6	6.3	0	Õ	33.0
	3.4				18573	1.0	O1	0.15	18.0	REED IP		N: 550		6	0.5	0	9	35.2
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	3.6 3.4		14.02	18572 18572	18562 18553	1.0 1.0	<del>ଦ</del> ୍ର ୧୧	0.15	18.0 18.0	eers in		M1 580 M1 580		8 6	9.7 8.0	0	6 0	34.0 40.0
.8	3.7	25.0	14.07	18615	:8565	1.0	<b>\$6</b>	0.15	18.0	erio to	20.0	R: 580		6	0.0	r	0	35.0
	3.4			18572	18553	1.	60	0.15	18.0	SERV ID		H1 550		6	0.5	Q 0	0	32.8
	3.6		14.06	18572	16572	1.6	92	0.15	18.0	ried ib	20.0	¥1 560		8	0.4		0	34.0
.8	3.4	25.2	13.98	18580	18563	1.0	<b>Q1</b>	0.15	15.0		20.1			6.2	0.57	0.0	0.0	34.3



. T E	CORRO:	S INHIB	MDA NG/L	FILT	SOLIDS		<u>101</u>	CETANS		ST D3338
-		7175	MO/ L	TIME	MG/L	HH	CODE	INDEX	AVE	UNCOR
	14.8			12	0.2	1	1	41.0	408.2	18578
	13.4			13	0.8	2	1	42.0	405.2	18514
	13.8			15	9. <b>3</b> 1.3	1	1	39.0	404.6 396.8	18691 18578
	13.3			6	0.4	0	1	39.0	386.0	18582
	15.3 14.0			12	1.6	3	1	40.0	399.8	18577
155	14.2	HI 580		13 13	0.8 0.3	3	1	41.0 40.0	408.8 395.0	18587
	15.8			13	0.5	i	i	40.0	<b>395.</b> 0	18587 18592
	15.2 16.2			12	1.1	0	1	39.0	396.2	18595
	13.5			12 11	0.3 0.7	2	1	41.0 39.0	395.0	18606
	16.8			14	0.1	ò	i	39.0	395.0 393.2	18618 18580
	15.6 13.7			11	1.0	1	1	40.0	394.4	18616
•	15.3			11 12	0.7 0.9	1	1	40.0	396.2	18598
	13.9			13	0.8	1	1	40.0 38.0	395.6 393.2	18588 18592
	13.2 14.7			13	0.6	0	1	38.0	395.0	18588
	14.4			13 12	0.4 0.5	0	1	39.0	396.8	18593
	13.4			14	1.9	1	1	38.0 39.6	390.8 393.8	18580 18592
	13.7			12	0.5	0	1	.39.0	393.8	18583
	12.7			11 12	0.9 0.7	^			392.0	18679
	12.9			14	0.7	0	1	<b>39</b> .0 38.0	387.8 397.4	18586 1859 <b>3</b>
	3.8			13	0.6	1	1	39.0	395.6	18594
	15.6			13	0.4				393.2	18589
	13.2			11 10	0.6 0.6	1	1	38.0 38.0	393.2 395.0	18586 185 <b>8</b> 9
	14.1			12.2	0.70	0.8	1.0	39.3		
	20.2			7	0.4	0	t	45.0	386.ũ	18620
	20.2 20.2			6 6	0.1	0	0	45.0	359.0	18647
	17.8			7	0.2 0.3	0	0	45.0 44.0	391.4 395.6	18621 18623
	19.6			6.\$	0.25	0.0	<b>-</b> 0.5	44.8		
tp tp	20.0 20.0	H1 580		\$	0.5	0	0	33.0	367.4	18559
• p	20.0 20.0	HI 550 KI 550		6 6	9.0	0	Ğ	34.0	3.982	15563
tp.	20.0	H: 580		6	0.8	o o	Ü	34.0 35.6	366.5 366.2	06481 12121
, b		#: \$80 #: \$80		5	0.2	0	ō	34.0	371.0	18387
. 5		95 \$50 95 \$50		5 6	0.2 0.5	Ç.	6	33.0	508.s	18565
9	₹0.0	HE 580		6	0.9	С 0	9	36.0 34.0	389.0 389.2	15567 15561
		#1 580 ·		6	G.7	C:	ō	36.0	352.6	18564
Đ Đ	20.0 20.0	mi 580 Mi 580		6	0.2	0	Q	34.0	366.8	18566
₽		ME 150		6 5	6.7 6.3	0	e G	33.5 33.0	362.8	16535
Þ		N: 380		6	0.5	ō	Ü	35.0	369.2 377.6	18558 18574
a a	20.0 20.0	H: 580 H: 580		5	0.8	0	Q	53.0	372.2	18556
٥		n: 352		8	0.8 0.\$	0		9.22	372.2	18556
	20.0	#: 5£3		7	0.8	o o	C	35.0 35.0	377.6 389.0	18574 18556
		#1 588 No 580		8	1.0	e	9	34.0	377.6	18163
		#1 320 #1 <b>38</b> 0		\$ 6	0.£ 0.0	0	0	49.0	372.2	18534
3	20.0	#: <b>}</b> 80		6	0.5	0	€ 0	35.0 32.0	373.4 347.4	18368 18354
2	20.0	N: 580		3	0.4	Š	ē	34.0	371.6	18573
	20.1			6.2	0.57	0.0	0.0	34.3		

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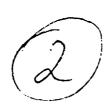
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# TABLE 1. (CONTINUED)

I.D.	SOURCE	DATE YR-MO	ACID NO	AROM	OLEF	TOTAL SULFUR	MERCAP SULFUR		D86 %10			TION ) %90		MEAN	FLASH PT	GRAV API	FREEZ POINT
191	BAHRAIN	8812	0.001	19.2		0.14		149	166	172	191	232	250	196	40	48	-53
27 26 25 144 130 129 171	GREECE ST THEODORE GREECE ST THEODORE	8801 8802 8803 8804 8808 8808 8810	0.005 0.005 0.004 0.008 0.006 0.002 0.002 0.003 0.005	16.5 12.2 16.0 13.8 15.1 13.5 13.5 13.5	0.6 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.2		0.0008 0.0008 0.0009 0.0008 0.0008 0.0008 0.0008 0.0010 0.0007	152 147 150 154 145 144 143 148	171 170 171 172 168 171 170 169 176	179 178 179 179 178 179 179 177 183	198 193 194 190 198 199 215 190 192	232 226 228 213 235 236 247 223 211	250 253 253 245 255 253 252 248 242	200 196 198 192 200 202 211 194 193	45 43 47 42 43 44 41	46.3 46.4 47.4 46.5 45.8 45.8 46.8 48.0	-50 -53 -52 -58 -47 -47 -48 -55 -58
	GREECE, AVERAGES		0.004	14.0	0.3	0.08	0.0008	148	170	179	196	227	250	198	43.2	46.5	-52
28 142 103 145 146 108 128 119 137 131 158 169 179 172 180 181	SICILY, SYRACUSE	8801 8802 8803 8804 8805 8806 8808 8809 8810 8811 8811 8811 8811	0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005 0.005	13.3 12.7 13.5 11.2 11.2 12.2 10.9 11.0 11.6 10.6 11.6 11.6 11.5 11.5	0.2 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.1 0.1	0.07 0.08 0.08 0.07 0.05 0.05 0.04 0.03 0.06 0.09 0.09 0.08 0.07 0.04 0.07	0.0010 0.0007 NEG NEG 0.0005 NEG NEG NEG NEG NEG O.0007 0.0006 0.0007	144 143 149 150 142 139 150 146 143 146 142 142 144 147 147	164 164 168 166 164 165 163 163 165 167 163 163 165 167	170 170 175 171 168 171 176 172 168 171 173 169 172 175 175 175	185 185 191 185 184 185 186 191 187 188 185 188 191 188 191	219 222 226 218 219 221 221 225 220 220 220 225 221 225 221	240 244 246 241 239 241 251 239 241 242 240 240 250 243 250 242	189 190 195 190 189 190 196 190 187 190 187 190 194 189 192 195 195	41 42 41 41 38 41 42 42 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41	49.2 49.3 48.9 48.7 49.2 48.9 48.4 49.9 49.3 48.4 49.3 49.3 49.3 49.3	-51 -50 -48 -50 -48
163 186	SPAIN, CADIZ SPAIN, HUELVA SPAIN, HUELVA SPAIN, MADRID SPAIN, AVERAGES	8809 8810 8812 8811	0.003 0.002 0.003 0.003	16.5 17.1 16.4	0.5 0.4 0.4 0.1	0.12 0.13 0.67	0.0003 0.0010 0.0008 0.0005		196 169 167 171	200 176 172 178	213 198 193 199 200	240 245 243 240 242	260 259 267 260 261	216 204 201 203 266	59 42 42 45 47.0	41.5 42.8 44.5 44.4 43.3	-60 -48 -49 -48
104	VENEZUELA, LAGOVEN VENEZUELA, LAGOVEN VENEZUELA, LAGOVEN LAGOVEN AVERAGES	8806 8807	0.007	18.5 18.5	2.5 3.0	0.20	0.0005 0.0004 0.0004	167 164	187 187	193 194	211 214	250 252	269 272	208 216 218 214	51 55 52 52.7	41.9 41.6 41.6	-51 -50
105 116 110 118	VENEZUELA, MARAVEN VENEZUELA, MARAVEN VENEZUELA, MARAVEN VENEZUEL', MARAVEN VENZEUELA, MARAVEN MARAVEN AVERAGES	გვე გვე7 8807	0.013 0.008 0.012 0.012	17.0 16.9 10.9 17.5	0.6 0.7 0.7	0.10 0.06 0.10 0.01	0.0003 0.0004 0.0004 0.0004 0.0003	148 149 149	167 170 170 171	173 177 178	194 201 200 200	230 246 244 244	262 268 270 271	196 197 206 205 205	44 46 41	46.3 45.6 44.3 45.1 44.9	-54 -48 -48 -48
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GRAV	FREEZ	VISC	SMOKE	H2	COMB	(BYU/LB)		WSIM		ANTIOX		CORROS MG/L	INHIB TYPE	MDA MG/L	FILT TIME	SOLIDS MG/L	JFT MM	OT CODE
API	POINT	CST -20	PT	WT %	REPORT BTU/LB	D3338	GUM		*	CONC	TYPE	MQ/L	IIFE	MG/ C	MIN	1.0, 2	HG	
48	-53	3.3		13.93		18617	1.0										0	1
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45.2	-50	3.2	26	13.84	18611	18590	3.0	92 82		17.2 17.2	H14733 H14733	8.9 8.6	HI 580 HI 580	5.7 5.7	6 6	0.42 0.26	0	1 1
46.3	-53	3.6 3.6	26 26	14.06 13.94	18660 18631	.18647 .18622	2.0 2.0	62 78		17.2	H14733	8.9	HI 580	5.7	8	0.45	0	1
46.4 47.4	-52 -58	2.7	27	14.05	18650	18645	2.0	78	1	17.2	H14733	8.9	HI 580	5.7	6 5	0.45 0.30	0	1
46.5	-47	3.1	25	14.31	18652	18636	2.0	90		17.2	H14733 H14733	8.9 8.8	HI 580 HI 580	5.7 5.7	9	0.55	ŏ	i
45.8	-47	3.9	26	14.28	18616 18616	18623 18640	2.0 2.0	88 84		17.2 17.2	H14733	8.6	HI 580	5.7	4	0.52	0	1
45.8 46.8	-48 -55	3.9 4.1	26 26	14.34	18651	18641	2.0	97		17.2	H14733			5.7	6	0.37	0	1
48.0	-58	3.8	26	14.33	18673	18682	2.0	98		17.2	H14733			5.7	6	0.65	0	1
46.5	-52	3.5	26.0	14.16	18640	18636	2.1	87		17.2		8.8		5.7	6.2	0.44	0	1
49.2	-53	3.3	28	14.20		18682	0.0	75	0.12	20.0	A	12.0		5.8 5.8	7 9	1.10	2 2	1
49.3	-49	3.3	28	14.23		18690	0.0	78 72	0.12 0.13	20.0 20.0	A A	12.0 12.0	N 5403 N 5403	5.8	10	1.00	ž	i
48.9	-50	3.3 3.3	27 27	14.50		18685 18689	0.0	86	0.13	20.0	Â	12.0	N 5403	5.8	9	0.71	2	1
48.7 49.2	-49 -52	3.3	28	14.5		18701	0.0	70	0.12	20.0		12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.70	2	1
48.9	-53	3.3	28	14		18688	0.0	82	0.12	20.0		12.0	# 540 <b>3</b>	5.8 5.8	8 9	0.80 0.47	2	1
48.7	-51	3.3	28	1 19		18697	0.0	72 96	C.12 0	20.0 20.0	A A	12.0 12.0	N 5403	5.8	8	0.68	2	İ
48.4 48.9	-51 -50	3.3 3.3	27 26	14.50		18701 186 <del>9</del> 7	0.0	80	0.12	20.0	Â	12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.60	2	1
49.9	-52	3.3	28	14.58	18744	18716	0.0	97		20.0	A				9	0.40 0.45	2	1
49.3	-51	3.3	28	14.55	18830	18705	0.0	72	0.12	20.0	A	12.0 12.0	_	5.8 5.8	6 14	0.45 0.45	2	i
48.4	-54	3.3	26 27	14.47	18701 18506	18679 18684	0.0	88 89	0.11	20.0	A	12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.2	2	1
48.7 48.7		3.3 3.3	27 27	14.48 14.48	18600	18684	0.0	89	0.11	20.0	Ā	12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.2	•	1
49.3		3.3	56	14.45	18589	18690	0.0	98		20.0	A		5 ( 0 7	• 0	9 8	0.4 0.69	5	1
49.3		3.1	27	14.48		18714	0.0	98		20.0 20.0	A	12.0	N 5403	5.0	9	0.36	ž	1
48.9 49.3		3.3 3.1	26 27	14.42 14.47		18682 18714	0.0	99 98		20.0	Ä	12.0	N 5403	5.8	8	0.69	2	1
49.0	-51	3.3	27.2	14.45	18654	18694	0.0	86	0.11	20.0		12.0		5.8	9.1	0.60	2.0	1
,, ,	- 40	5.3	21	13.90	18529	18525	0.6	98	0.11	20.0		11.3	HI 580		а	0.80	0	0
41.5		4.6	21 23	14,00		18545	0.7	92	••••	20.0	€ 733				8	0.70	1	:
44.5		4.5	24	14.37	18572	18570	0.4	94		50.0					10 12	0.5 0.3	1	0
44.4	-48	4.5	22	14.11	18572	18586	0.8	98		19.2					_			_
43.3	-51	4.7	22.5	14.09	18556	18557	0.63	96	0.11	19.8		11.3			9.5	0.58	0.5	0
41.4	-55	5.6		13,94	18516	18519	1,1	91		20.0		13.7	HI 530		7	0.27	0	1
41.6	-51	5.1			18516	18517	1.1	95		72.0	AO-30		NI 580 NI 580		7 8	0.34	0	1
41.4	-50	5.4		13.79	18507	18519	1.0	95		22.0	75.0A			ı				
41.6	-52	5.4		13 78	18513	18518	1.07	94		21.0		11.2			7.3	0.31	0	1
£A.	5 -52	3.7	23	14.24	18530	18511	0.5	90	0.17	21.0	AO-30		H1 580		7	0.37	0	1
45.		3.8	23	13.63	18622	18590	0.4	94	0.12	22.9	A0-30	14.8	N 5403	;	7	0.48	0	1
44.		4.4			18574		0.4	^-	۸	18.5	A0-30	13 ^	¥ 5403	t	6	0.58	0	i
45. 44.		4.1 4.2	22 23		5 18595 5 18596		0.5 0.4	92 80	0.11			-	N 5403		8	0.19	Ö	1
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\$11	ANT 10)	(IDANT TYPE	CORROS MG/L	INHIB TYPE	MDA MG/L	FILT TIME MIN	SOLIDS MG/L	JF1 MM dG		CETANE INDEX	AVE	ST D3338 UNCOR	
						nie.		0	1		385.4	FOR S 18637	
								•	·		505.4	10037	
	17.2	H14733	8.9	HI 580	5.7	6	0.42	0	1	43	392.6	18606	
	17.2 17.2	H14733 H14733	8.6 8.9	087 IH 087 IK	5.7 5.7	6 3	0.26 0.45	0	1	44	385.4	18653	·
	17.2	H14733	8.9	HI 580	5.7	6	0.45	0	1	44 44	387.8 377.0	18630 18655	
	17.2	H14733	8.9		5.7	5	0.30	Ö	i	46	392.6	18644	
	17.2	H14733	8.6	HI 580	5.7	9	0.55	ō	i	48	395.6	18644	
	17.2	H14733		HI 580	5.7	4	0.52	0	1	48	411.2	18661	
	17.2	H14733			5.7	6	0.37	Q	1	44	381.2	18649	
	17.2	H14733			5.7	၁	0.65	0	1	43	379.4	18683	
•	17.2		8.8		5.7	6.2	0.44	0	1	44.9			
12	20.0	A		N 5403		7	1.10	2	1	45	372.8	18692	ا الله الله الله الله الله الله الله ال
12	20.0	A		# 5403	5.8	9	0.98	2	1	46	374.6	18702	
13	20.0	A		N 5103	5.8	10	1.00	2	1	47	383.0	18697	
11	20.0	A.		N 5403	5.8	9	0.71-	2	1	45	373.4	18699	
12	20.0			N 5493	5.8	10	0.70	2	1	45	371.6	18708	
.12 12	20.0 20.0		12.6	N 5403	5.8	8 9	0.80 0.47	2	1	45 45	373.4	18496	
12	20.0	A A	12.0	N 5403	5.8	8	0.68	2	1	43 47	374.6 384.2	18703	
12	20.0	Â		N 5403		16	0.60	2	i	45	374.6	18706 18702	
	20.0	Ä		N 3103	7.0	9	0.40	2	i	44	369.2	18725	
12	20.0	Ā	12.0	N 5403	5.8	6	0.45	2	1	45	374.6	18718	·
	20.0	A	12.0	N 5403	5.8	14	0.45	2	1	44	380.6	18672	
11	20.0	Á	12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.2	2	1	45	372.8	18695	
11	20.0	A	12.0	N 5403	5.8	10	0.2	2	1	45	372.8	18695	• •
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	20.0	E 753				8	0.70	1	1	40	399.2	18562	
	50.0					10	0.5	1	0	39	393.8	18588	
	19.2					12	0.3	1	0	40	398.0	18596	
11	19.8		11.3			9.5	0.58	0.8	0	39.8			•••
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	20.0	AU-30	13.7	N1 580		7	0.27	0	1	38	407.0	18536	
	77.0	A0-30		HI 580		7	0.34	0	1	41	420.8	185-5	
	22.0	AC-30	8.0	H1 580		6	0.32	0	1	42	423.8	18546	
	21.0		11.2			7.3	0.31	0	1	40.3			
7	21.0	A0-30	13.4	W1 580		7	0.37	0	1	42	384 2	12522	
2	22.9	A0-30	14.5	N 5403		7	D.48	0	ì	43	386.6	18604	
		A0-30						Ç	1		402.2	18595	
1	18.5	AO-30		N 5403		6	0.58	0	1	44	400.4	18511	
2	22.7	A0-30	14.5	N 5403		5	0.19	0	1	43	401.0	18503	

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TABLE 2. F-34 SHIPMENTS DURING 1988

SOURCE	BARRELS	FRACTION OF TOTAL	DESTINATIONS
BAHRAIN	23,600	0.003067	POHUNG
GELSENKIRCHEN, GERMANY	296,900	0.038584	GERKANY
KARLSRUHE, GERMANY	58,000	0.007537	GERMANY
WORTH, GERMANY	512,800	0.066642	GERMANY
ST THEODORL, GREECE	1,709,100	0.222108	UK, FRAECE
PRIOLO SYRACUSA, SICILY	3,082,400	0.400577	AZORES, ITALY, SPAIN, UK
SPAIN (3 REFINERIES)	596,000	0.077454	UK, FRANCE
LAGOVEN, VENEZUELA	350,500	0.045563	UK, FRANCE
MARAVEN, VENEZUELA	1,065,500	0.138468	AZORES, GREENLAND, SPAIN, US
TOTAL, EBLS	7,69.,900	1 000000	
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NOTE: US F-34 REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPF ESTIMATED

TO BE 13,900,000 BBL FOR JULY 88 TO JUN 89



NALCO 5403 are used. The antioxidants used were MTBX55, Kero TP, 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenol, Hitec 4733, Ethyl 733, and DuPont AO-30.

## 3. Fuel Shipment Modes and Destinations

Table 2 shows the sources and destinations of the fuels. The refinery in Gelsenkirchen, Germany, shipped all of its fuel via barge to the DFSC terminal at Spayer, Germany. The refinery in Karlsruhe, Germany, also delivered via barge to the DFSC terminal at Karlsruhe, Germany. The refinery in Worth, Germany, delivered fuel to the CEPS pipeline at Worth, Germany. The refinery in Bahrain (Persian Gulf) delivered its one shipment via tanker to Pohang, Korea. The refinery in St Theodore, Greece, delivered fuel via tanker to the CEPS at Donges, France, and to the United Kingdom. Note that the shipments from Greece to the CEPS included corrosion inhibitor additive, but the shipments to the UK did not.

The refinery at Priolo Syracusa, Sicily, delivered fuel by tanker to the Azores, Italy, Spain, and the United Kingdom. Three separate refineries in Spain delivered fuel to the United Kingdom, to France, and to one undetermined destination. The two refineries in Venezuela delivered fuel to the CEPS at Donges, France, to the United Kingdom, to the Azores, to Spain, and one load to the United States.

When comparing Tables 1 and 2, note that the individual fuel shipments from Gelsenkirchen, Karlsruhe, and Worth, Germany, were quite small (about 10,000 to 20,000 barrels each), as compared to individual fuel shipments from Greece, Sicily, Spain, and Venezuela (55,000 to 236,000 barrels each.) This resulted in 29 fuel reports for Gelsenkirchen, Germany, and only three for Lagoven, Venezuela; yet more fuel was shipped from Lagoven than from Gelsenkirchen. Thus, the fractions of the total F-34 fuel shipped were used to calculate the weighted averages of properties found in Table 3.

As different batches of fuel were intended for different destinations, their additive contents were varied accordingly. For example, fuels intended for the UK pipeline are normally procured without corrosion inhibitor/lubricity improver additive and without the fuel system icing inhibitor. This is because these fuels will be clay-filtered prior to delivery to the DFSC terminals, and clay tends to remove these additives. (These additives will be injected by the DFSC prior to delivery to USAF bases.) Other fuel batches were delivered with all mandatory and some optional additives present. Thus, the fuels included in this report include both F-34 and F-35.

TABLE 3. AVERAGES OF F-34 PROPERTIES

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PROPERTY	BAHRAIN	GEL SEN.	KARLSRUHE	MORTH	GREECE	SICILY	SPAIN	LAGOVEN	MARAVEN	AVERAGE	AVERAGE*
ACID NO.	0.001	0.004	0.008	0.010	0.00%	0.005	0.003	0.009	0.011	90.0	900.0
ARONATICS %	19.2	13.1	16.3	17.5	14.0	11.9	17.9	18.7	17.5	16.2	14.50
OLEFINS X		0.3	9.0	0.5	0.3	0.2	7.0	2.7	0.7	0.71	0.63
SULFUR, TOTAL	0.14	0.01	0.05	0.01	0.08	9.00	0.08	0.17	0.07	0.07	0.08
SULFUR, MERCAP.	0.0008	0.0010	0.0005	0.0001	0.0008	0.0003	0.0007	0.0004	0.0004	9000.0	0.0005
DISTILL, AVG	196	202	<u>\$</u>	189	198	191	506	214	202	200	198
FLASH POINT	07	53	9,	27	27	7	25	53	3	97	45
API GRAVITY	48.0	43.3	46.2	44.7	5.54	0.65	43.3	41.6	45.2	45.3	46.3
FREEZE POINT	-53	9-	.53	8	-52	-51	-51	-52	-50	-53	-52
VI SCOSI TY	3.3	4.5	6.0	3.4	3.5	3.3	4.7	5.4	4.0	4.0	3.8
SHOKE POINT		24.3	24.0	25.2	26.0	27.2	22.5		22.8	54.6	23.3
HYDROGEN UT X	13.93	14.04	13.97	13.98	14.76	14.45	14.09	13.78	13.99	14.04	14.19
810/18	18617	18600	18620	18563	18636	18694	18557	18518	18597	18600	18629
EXISTENT COM	1.60	0.30	0.80	1.8	2.10	0.00	0.63	1.07	77.0	0.82	0.77

"BASED ON FRACTION OF TOTAL PRODUCT SUPPLIED (SEE TABLE 2)

#### SECTION III - DISCUSSION

1. Discussion of Reported Properties.

Each of the properties or measurements listed in Table 1 are discussed below. Although Table 1 includes both F-34 and F-35 fuels, they are combined in Tables 1, 2, and 3 and are referred to as F-34, except where noted. Table 3 lists the averages of selected fuel properties by source (i.e., source average). Table 3 also lists the averages of these properties from all sources, using two methods: (a) the simple average of the source averages, and (b) the weighted average where each source average is multiplied by the fraction of the total F-34 obtained from that source. For the discussion of properties, below, the source averages and the total weighted averages are used.

- A. Acid Number The acid number limits the amount of acidic components in the fuel. These acidic components might be carried over from the crude oil, formed or added in refinery processes, or added unintentionally. The specification level is 0.015 mg KOH/gm fuel. None of the fuels exceeded the specification limit. However, the average acid number varied by an order of magnitude among sources, with the Worth, Germany refinery and the two Venezuela refineries having relatively high acid numbers. The average was 0.006 mg KOH/qm fuel.
- B. Aromatics Content Aromatics are unsaturated, cyclic hydrocarbons that are excellent solvents, have a strong odor (hence the name aromatics), but have poor combustion performance. Due to the effect of aromatics on combustion and on the swell characteristics of elastomers, MIL-T-83133 limits the aromatics content to 25 percent by volume. None of the fuels exceeded or even approached this limit. The average aromatics content was only 14.5 percent by volume. The variation in aromatics content by source, as seen in Table 3, may be due to the types of crude oil processed or to the particular refinery processes used.
- C. Olefins Content Olefins are chain and branched chain paraffinic hydrocarbons that have double carbon bonds. The double carbon bonds reduce molecular stability, which can lead to the formation of gums during storage. Although the olefins are limited to 5 percent by volume, the average olefins content was only 0.6 volume percent. The Lagoven, Venezuela, F-34 reported the highest olefins content at 2.7 volume percent.
- D. Sulfur Content Sulfur is limited in jet fuels because of its corrosive action and noxious combustion products. The F-34 had an average sulfur content of 0.08 weight percent, well below the specification limit of 0.30 weight percent. Comparing the total

sulfur in F-34 by source, the fuels produced in Bahrain and Lagoven, Venezuela had significantly higher sulfur contents than the fuels produced elsewhere.

E. Mercaptan Sulfur Content - Mercaptan sulfur is one of the most noxious forms of sulfur, both in odor and in corrosiveness. The average mercaptan sulfur content was only 0.0005 weight percent. None of the fuels exceeded 0.001 weight percent, even though the Specification MIL-T-83133B allows up to 0.002 weight percent. Commercial Jet A-1 specifications, including the ASTM D 1655 and the Joint Fueling Systems Check List, allow up to 0.003 weight percent mercaptan sulfur. As all F-34 suppliers easily met the 0.002 weight percent limit, the specification limit of 0.002 weight percent appears to be reasonable.

The USAF requires a low mercaptan sulfur limit because 120 of its oldest KC-135 aircraft use an obsolete fuel tank sealant. This sealant is degraded by mercaptan sulfur concentrations greater than 0.002 weight percent.

- F. Distillation Range None of the F-34 fuels approached the maximum allowable 10 percent recovered temperature of 205°C or the maximum allowable end point cemperature of 300°C. The source average distillation temperature (average of the 10%, 50%, and 90% temperatures) varied from 191° to 214°C (see Table 3).
- G. Flash Point All fuels met or exceeded the minimum allowable flash point of 38°C. The average flash point was 45°C.
- H. Gravity The allowable API gravity range is 37 to 51° API. The F-34 fuels had API gravities ranging from 41.4 to 49.9 with an average of 46.3. This is equivalent to a density of 0.7958 kg/L (6.626 lbs/gallon).
- I. Freezing Point All fuels met the specification limit of -47° C. The weighted average freezing point was -52°C or lower, as many of the fuel reports gave a "less than" freezing point.
- J. Viscosity The viscosity of jet fuels is critical to engine starting and relight, as starting performance requires excellent fuel atomization, and atomization is a function of viscosity. The specification limit is 8.0 centistokes at  $-20^{\circ}$ C. The F-34 fuels had an average viscosity of 3.8 centistokes with a

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maximum reported value of only 5.6 centistokes. Thus, good engine starting and altitude relight performance would be expected with all of the F-34 fuels reported.

- K. Smoke Point The smoke point test method measures the maximum flame height that can be obtained without smoking, using a special wick lamp. Smoke point correlates with fuel combustion performance in gas turbine engines. A high smoke point insures that the fuel will burn with a minimum of exhaust smoke. The F-34 fuels reported an average smoke point of 23.3 mm. The minimum reported smoke point was only 21 mm, well above the minimum allowable limit of 19 mm. The high smoke points are in agreement with the low aromatics content reported above, as high aromatics content fuels tend to have low smoke points.
- L. Hydrogen Content The hydrogen content of jet fuels also correlates with fuel combustion performance. The hydrogen content was calculated for all fuels of Table 1 using ASTM D 3343. The average hydrogen content was 14.19 percent by mass, well above the minimum allowable hydrogen content of 13.4 percent.
- M. Heat of Combustion The heat of combustion reported in Table I includes calorimeter data, aniline-gravity correlations of ASTM D 1405, and estimation methods using ASTM D 3338. To provide a standard method for comparison, the heat of combustion for each fuel was calculated using ASTM D 3338. All F-34 fuels exceeded the minimum specification limit of 18,400 Btu/lb. The average heat of combustion was 18,629 Btu/lb.
- M. Thermal Oxidative Stability Jet fuel is used as a coolant for airframe and engine components, so the fuel must be able to withstand elevated temperatures without forming deposits within the fuel system and fuel components. The Jet Fuel Thermal Oxidative Tester (JFTOT) apparatus is used to insure that the fuel has acceptable thermal stability. The JFTOT detects the formation of deposits on a polished aluminum heated tube and changes in pressure drop across a filter located downstream of the heated tube. Any deposit formed on the heated tube must be less than a light tan (visual deposit code of 3), and the maximum pressure drop across the filter must be less than 25 mm of mercury. As seen in Table 1, all F-34 fuels easily passed the JFTOT.
- N. Existent Gum Jet fuels are good solvents and may contain high molecular weight gums and resins dissolved therein. These gums and resins may form deposits within the fuel system and combustor with changes in fuel temperature and with the evaporation of the fuel within the combustor. To measure the existent gum, a sample of the fuel is evaporated and the amount of deposit remaining is weighed. The existent gum content of all

F-34 fuels was well below the specification limit of 7 mg/100 mL. The average value was only 0.77 mg/100 mL. The fuels from Greece had almost three times the weighted average value.

- O. Particulate Matter This test measures the quantity of solid particulates (contaminants) in the fuel. One gallon of fuel is filtered through a 0.8-micron pore size membrane filter. The weight gain of the filter (after drying) is reported as solid particulates. This test is a measure of the cleanliness of the fuel upon delivery to the Defense Fuels Supply Center. Five of the fuels exceeded the specification limit of 1.0 mg/L.
- P. Filtration Time MIL-T-83133 (F-34 & F-35) and MIL-T-5624 (F-40 and F-44) specifications limit the time required to filter a one gallon sample of fuel through a 0.8-micron membrane filter. (This test may be run in conjunction with the Particulate Matter test, above). The purpose of this test is to insure that the fuel does not contain contaminants that will rapidly plug filter-water separators used at USAF bases to insure that only clean, dry fuel is serviced to aircraft. The source of the contaminants may be free water, solid particulates (sand, rust, fibers, metal chips, etc..), and traces of refinery treating solutions. In addition, MIL-I-25017 fuel corrosion inhibitor/lubricity improver additives may react with water-soluble metals to form gelatinous soap-like materials. Although the mass of this gelatinous material may be below the Particulate Matter limits, above, the material can rapidly plug filters. Compliance with the Filtration Time test has greatly reduced filter replacement requirements at AF bases and the chance of servicing contaminated fuel to aircraft. None of the fuels exceeded the 15-minute filtration time allowed by MIL-T-83133. However, several fuels were reported to take exactly 15 minutes. The fuels obtained from Gelsenkirchen, Germany, and Sicily tended to have relatively high filtration times.
- Q. Water Separation Index The most common and potentially serious contaminant in jet fuel is water. At USAF bases, filter-separators are used to remove Particulate Matter and undissolved water from the fuel at least twice between receipt and prior to aircraft servicing. Filter-separators remove solid contaminants by depth filtration. Undissolved water is removed through coalescence of small droplets into large droplets. The water droplets are then separated by gravity and by a hydrophobic filter. Coalescence of water can be degraded or prevented by trace quantities of surface active materials (surfactants) in the fuel. Surfactants can also degrade the performance of depth filtration by preventing the agglomeration of many small particles into larger, easily filtered particles.

The Water Separameter is a miniature coalescence test device in which a small quantity of water is emulsified in the fuel sample. The ability of the coalescer to remove the water is then determined. A Water Separation Index Modified (WSIM) rating of 100 is excellent; a rating of less than 70 is cause for concern. As fuel additives affect the WSIM, different limits are placed on the fuel, depending on which additives are present. An average WSIM value of 92 was calculated from Table 1 data. This relatively high value indicates that the fuels were essentially free of surfactants.

## 2. Interpretation of Results

## A. Low Temperature Performance

(1) Engine Starting and Relight - With the conversion to F-34 from the less viscous, more volatile F-40, the cold starting and altitude relight performance of USAF aircraft becomes of concern. Most aviation turbine engine companies state that their engines will start and operate satisfactorily with fuels that have a viscosity of 12 centistokes or less. Table 4, below, lists the viscosity of the average F-34 and the maximum viscosity F-34. Also listed are the estimated fuel temperatures at which the viscosity of the fuel will equal 12 centistokes.

TABLE 4. VISCOSITIES OF F-34

JP-8 Fuel	Visc at -20°C	Temp at 12 cst
Average	3.8	-50°C -39°C -29°C
Maximum	5.6	-39°C
Specification Limit	8.0	-29°C

A review of Table 4 indicates that engine starting (i.e., 12 centistokes) should not be a problem with the average F-34 down to below its maximum allowable freezing point of -47°C. The worst fuel should still allow starting down to -39°C.

(2) Fuel Freezing During Flight - For long duration, high altitude flights and for operation in cold climates, the freezing point of fuel is also critical. The fuel must not be allowed to freeze within the fuel tanks, as this could prevent fuel flow to the engine. The maximum allowable freezing point of -47°C for F-34 fuel was selected to insure that USAF flight operations will not be compromised by the freezing point of the fuel, except possibly for operations from a few arctic bases during unusually cold weather. Commercial US airlines use Jet A

(freezing point of -40°C) for transcontinental and many transoceanic flights, but many foreign commercial airlines use F-35 (Jet A-1) for all flights.

B. Fuel Energy Content - Aircraft may be either weight limited or volume limited; i.e., the fuel load and cargo or bomb load may be constrained by the maximum allowable gross weight at take-off or by the available space for cargo or weapons. Weight-limited aircraft can increase their range when using a fuel that maximizes energy content per unit mass. Conversely, volume-limited aircraft obtain increased range when using a fuel that maximizes energy content per unit volume. Table 5 shows that, compared to F-40, F-34 has about 0.38 percent less energy content per unit wolume. Thus, with F-34 there is less than one-half percent range penalty for weight-limited aircraft but about a three to four percent increase in range for volume-limited aircraft.

TABLE 5. ENERGY CONTENT OF FUELS

<u>Fuel</u>	Btu/Lb	Btu/Gallon	
Avg F-40	18,700	118.700	
Avg. F-34	18,629	123,436	

C. Correlation of Properties - High average distillation temperatures would be expected to be reflected in lower API gravities (i.e., higher dansity) and higher viscosities. Figure 1 is a plot of the Table 3 source averages for API gravity data versus the average distillation temperatures. As is evident, there is a definite trend as anticipated. Figure 2 is a plot of viscosity versus average distillation temperature. As expected, there is also a good correlation evident for these two properties. A good correlation is also evident for viscosity and API gravity, as seen in Figure 3.

Aromatics are more dense than paraffins and cycloparaffins (naphthenes), the other major constituents of jet fuels. Figure 4 is a plot of aromatics content versus API gravity. Except for fuels from Gelsenkirchen, Germany, an excellent correlation is evident. The reasons for this anomaly are not apparent, but a high cycloparaffin content could account for the lower API gravity of the Gelsenkirchen fuels.

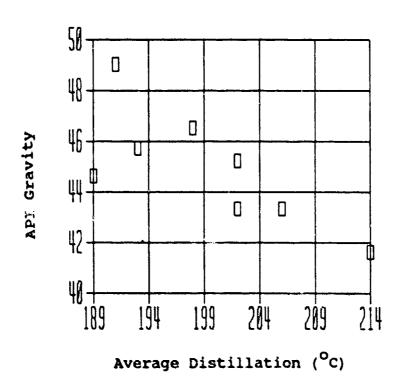


Figure 1. API Gravity Vs. Average Distillation Temperature

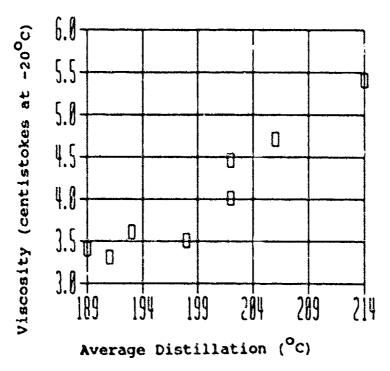


Figure 2. Viscosity Vs Average Distillation Temperature

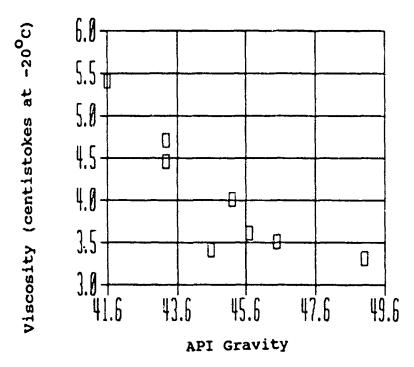


Figure 3. Viscosity Vs API Gravity

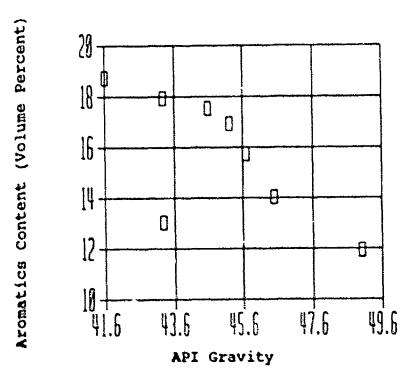


Figure 4. Aromatics Content Vs. API Gravity

D. Cetane Index - The US Army has requested that the Cetane Index for all F-34, F-35, and F-44 fuels be reported. These fuels may be used in ground or shipboard diesel engines. If F-34 becomes NATO's "single fuel for the battlefield", as proposed, it will become the standard diesel fuel.

The Cetane Index is calculated from the API Gravity (or density) and mid-boiling distillation temperature (50% evaporated temperature using ASTM D 86.) As seen in Table 1, most F-34 fuels have Cetane Indices above 40, and they should perform adequately in most diesel engines. However, the F-34 fuels from Worth, Germany, have Cetane indices ranging from 32 to 40 with an average of only 34. The Worth fuels have the lowest average 50% evaporated temperature (180°C) of any F-34 source and also have a lower than average API gravity. The combination of low API gravity and low mid-point distillation temperature accounts for these unusually low Cetane numbers. Figure 1 shows that the Worth fuel appears to be an outlier, with a lower than average API gravity of 44.7 and an average distillation temperature of 189°C, the lowest of any fuel.

#### SECTION IV - CONCLUSIONS

- 1. For the JP-8 fuels supplied to the Air Force for European operations in 1988, all fuel specification limits were met with room to spare. This implies that a considerable increase in the production of F-34 should be possible if the fuel properties were extended closer to specification limits.
- 2. A small but significant range increase can be expected for volume-limited aircraft (such as fighters) when using JP-8, as compared to JP-4.

### SECTION V - RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. The F-34 properties should be surveyed periodically to determine if there are any significant changes in properties that might affect flight operations.
- 2. When the conversion to F-34 in the western Pacific is completed, a F-34 survey of those fuels should be made.
- 3. Future pipelines for aviation turbine fuels should follow the design of the UK pipeline. The UK pipeline allows the transfer of uninhibited F-34 (i.e., F-35) with clay filtration prior to the delivery of the fuel to DFSC terminals. (The F-35 is converted to F-34 at the terminals.) This approach has greatly improved the purity of fuel delivered to USAF bases, reducing ground filter element replacement and the chance of servicing contaminated fuel to aircraft.
- 4. All F-34/F-35 shipped by ocean-going barge or tanker should be shipped sans the corrosion inhibitor/lubricity improver (CILI) and the fuel system icing inhibitor (FSII) additives. If water contacts the fuel, the CILI additive may react with dissolved metals in the water to form a filter-plugging precipitate. Also, the FSII will migrate to any undissolved water present, creating both an environmental problem and the need to replenish the additive in the fuel.